

April 26, 2021 Quorum Court Minutes

13 Justices of the Peace were present. Justice Weinstock and Justice Rogers were present by Zoom. Also present were Lesli Penny, Terry McNatt, Mary Dawn Marshall, Sherriff Marty Boyd, and Mayors of Craighead County. Wes Eddington was present by Zoom.

Judge Day called the meeting to order at 5:30PM.

Invocation by Judge Day.

Assembly and Pledge of Allegiance.

A presentation was given by Judge Boling and Judge Fowler on the security needs of the District Court. Judge Boling explained how there is not enough manpower to protect the citizens and employees of District Court. A request was made for two extra bailiffs: one full time position and one part time position for District Court.

First order of business was approval of Quorum Court minutes from April 12, 2021. A motion to accept was made by Justice Williams and seconded by Justice Weinstock. Judge Day took a vote and it passed unanimously.

Committee reports were read for April 12, 2021 Road and Finance Committees.

No old business.

New business.

The first reading was An Appropriation Ordinance to amend 2021 budget to add Blue & You grant funds for County Clerk, Juvenile, Maintenance, Public Defender, and Road. A motion to accept was made by Justice Longmire, seconded by Justice Couch. Roll was called and passed unanimously.

An Appropriation Ordinance was read to amend the 2021 budget to add Fund 3599, Local Law Enforcement Block Grant. A motion was made by Justice Cline, seconded by Justice Tennison. Roll was called and passed unanimously.

An Appropriation Ordinance was read to add funds to Fund 1000, Dept 0422, Circuit Court, to add professional services to contract security personnel for Courthouse and Annex single points-of-entry. A motion was made by Justice Longmire, seconded by Justice Passmore. Roll was called and passed unanimously.

An Appropriation Ordinance was read to amend 2021 budget to add line item 8888-9999 to each fund to allow for fund-to-fund transfers for accounting purposes only. A motion was made by Justice Williams, seconded by Justice Tennison. Roll was called and passed unanimously.

An Ordinance was read to establish Fund 3046, special revenue, American Rescue Plan Fund. A motion was made by Justice Cline, seconded by Justice Williams. Roll was called and passed unanimously.

Announcements:

Judge Day first stated how proud he was of our Veterans Service Office. Larry Pierce was hired to come in and train up his staff so that they would all be able to help our veterans. Mr. Pierce informed Judge Day that we now have three trained officers. Larry and the two-part time assistants can all get into the computer system and file claims to help in any way needed. Second, Judge Day stated that the Sheriff's Department redid the mobile command post that was set up for the tornado last year. Judge Day stated that they did some awesome updates that were needed. Lastly, Judge Day stated that the County Clerk's office will be going to Crittenden County to watch how Kronos (an electronic time keeping system) is used in their county. Judge Day stated they we are excited to see how that can save the taxpayer's some money and that it will progress on.

Public comments:

Candace Edwards, Craighead County Circuit Clerk, requested to have the two-line items reinstated for her department.

A motion was made to adjourn by Justice Weinstock and seconded by Justice Williams.

Meeting ended at 6:41 p.m.